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MS PATENT APPLICATION Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

. Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b), is a Continuation application of PCT International Application No. PCT/FR02/01505 filed on April 30, 2002. The present application is filed on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.41(c). The application transmitted herewith is in a language other than English. An English translation will follow within the required time as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.52(d).

Inventors:

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For:

PRENATAL DIAGNOSIS METHOD ON ISOLATED FOETAL CELL OF

MATERNAL BLOOD

## Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of Forty-six (46) pages  $\boxtimes$
- Three (3) sheet(s) of formal drawings 冈
- An assignment of the invention

□ ·	<pre>□ Applicant does not claim priority</pre> ☑ Applicant claims the right of priority under 35 U.S.C. § based on Application No(s). 01/05824 filed in France April 30, 2001. □ Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto. ☑ Certified copy(ies) will follow.					
	Information Disclosure Statement w/PTO-1449 and reference(s)					
$\boxtimes$	Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow					
	Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.					
	Preliminary Amendment					
$\boxtimes$	Priority of PCT International Application No. PCT/FR02/0150 filed on April 30, 2002 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.					
	Other:					

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Respectfully submitted,

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